## **NBCNY Facilitating Teams Course**

Teacher leaders will be stronger, positive, intentional influences on school culture by creating, managing and supporting efficient and effective teams.



In NYS many teachers have assumed formal and informal leadership rolesoften without the opportunity to develop the necessary leadership skill set. The National Board Council of New York has responded to this need by convening a team of board-certified teacher leaders to craft a series of courses as a Teacher Leadership Institute.

The first of these 15-hour courses is Facilitating Teams. In this course, participants will build skills and practice strategies for:

- Strengthening team culture
- Cultivating effective teamwork
- Collaborating to address problems of practice

This will be a valuable opportunity for teachers to advance their professional learning with the knowledge and skills embedded in leadership roles. And as we know, the benefits to students, as well as school and district leaders, are many.

- Research indicates that teacher leadership is a powerful strategy to increase student learning, retain teachers, support teacher effectiveness, facilitate school staffing innovations, improve decision-making at the school and district level and ultimately strengthen the teaching profession (NCCTQ 2010).
- Teacher leaders come from all backgrounds with a wide variety of skill sets, resulting in developments that define excellence in education for their students and school communities.

We want to provide the opportunity for teacher leaders, throughout the state, to invest in the knowledge and skills that will enhance their positive impact through their various roles.

**Our Vision:** To provide coursework for our NYS NBCTs and other teachers in an effort to build the knowledge and skill sets necessary for their work as teacher leaders. This work grew out of an understanding of what other NT3 sites (through the SEED grant) offered their teacher leaders and an identification of an existing instructional gap in NYS.

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#### May 5, 12, 19, 26 and June 2

4 pm—7 pm

### Margaret McKenna Administration Bldg. 350 Daniel Street, Room 117 Lindenhurst, NY 11757

Instructors: Tayana Thadal and Nicole Rivera



**Cost: \$250** (all fees waived for NBCTs, UFT, and NYSUT members)

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